

Engineering from the University of Southern California. At Boeing, she assumed leadership roles in extracurricular groups, including Boeing Women in Leadership and the Amelia Earhart Society. Nareh learned complicated processes and procedures when working on the 787 nacelle, and became lead of the project, receiving awards for her work on the project.

Nareh decided to make a shift in her career after the birth of her son. An experienced engineer who never lost sight of her passion for tutoring and helping people, she joined Glendale Community College (GCC) in 2018 as an instructor of engineering, where she currently teaches several classes including Introduction to Engineering and 3D Printing and Modeling. Soon after, Nareh was also hired to teach at Los Angeles Pierce College and Los Angeles City College, where she continues to teach today.

In addition to sharing her personal and professional experiences in the engineering industry with her students, Nareh also supports her students outside of the classroom with hands-on opportunities that benefit them and the community, especially supporting underrepresented minorities in STEM. When the coronavirus pandemic hit and everyone was sent home, the work outside the classroom seemed to be at a standstill. While Ms. Manooki was working remotely, she wanted to do something to help frontline workers, and while researching on line, she came across articles about 3D printing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). With the support of the GCC leadership, Nareh brought home the school's 3D printers to test different designs she had found for clinically tested products to donate to hospitals. She also discovered that there were many like-minded college instructors in California, with whom she shared the approved mask designs and learned the agreements and processes they established with local hospitals for donations.

Soon, the networking between GCC and local hospitals blossomed, and donation agreement forms were coming in. Nareh was printing with two or three 3D printers in her home from morning until evening, while simultaneously fulfilling her teaching and parental responsibilities. To meet the demands faster, she reached out to colleagues and students for help, who enthusiastically joined her efforts, and together as a team, they donated over two thousand face shields and ear tension straps to the community. Following the success of this effort, Ms. Manooki thought of ways to bring back opportunities for students to have hands-on projects while learning remotely. In May 2020, the Glendale College Foundation approved her proposed program to advise and mentor students on how to learn to operate 3D printers and improve existing PPE designs. The program proved to be a success. Nareh's students designed and created their own prototypes while gaining hands-on engineering technology skills during a pandemic school year.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring this exceptional, well-respected woman of California's 28th Congressional District, Nareh Manooki.

RECOGNIZING DOUGLAS COUNTY, CO, BEING NAMED THE SECOND HEALTHIEST COMMUNITY IN THE U.S.

### HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 27, 2021*

Mr. BUCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Douglas County, Colorado, being named the second healthiest community in the United States by U.S. News and World Report in 2021. Douglas County was ranked second in the nation in both 2020 and 2018 and topped the annual list in 2019.

Douglas County enjoys 300 days of sunshine each year and, thanks to the beautiful Rocky Mountains, is home to some of the world's best hiking and outdoor recreation. Surrounded by 63,000 acres of natural land, Douglas County is home to three state parks, the Reuter-Hess Reservoir, and incredible walking trails, like the Devil's Head National Recreation Trail. These natural areas are important to the community as they provide recreational opportunities like fishing, hiking, boating, and biking to be enjoyed by residents.

This recognition as the second healthiest county is a testament to not only the beautiful natural areas of the Centennial State, but also its local government officials and those who call Douglas County home. As one of the fastest growing communities in the country, Douglas County has been ranked by the American City Business Journal as one of the best counties in the U.S. for quality of life.

On behalf of the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I am honored to celebrate this recognition alongside the residents and local government of Douglas County, Colorado.

### REMEMBERING NANCY THOMAS WOOD

### HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 27, 2021*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, South Carolina will always cherish the dedicated service of Nancy Thomas Wood as an educator in Lexington District 5 of Seven Oak Elementary School, which I have gratefully represented in the State Senate and now Congress.

Mrs. Wood has been an inspiration for her daughter Lou Kennedy, who has been recognized as being one of the state's most successful business leaders.

Just last week, President and CEO Lou Kennedy of Nephron Pharmaceuticals Corp., announced a \$215.8 million expansion creating 380 new jobs.

I appreciate the opportunity to include in the RECORD the following obituary for Nancy Thomas Wood.

NANCY THOMAS WOOD

December 1, 1938–July 26, 2021

Nancy Thomas Wood, of Lexington, passed away on Monday, July 26, 2021.

Mrs. Wood, a loving wife and mother, was an educator for more than 40 years. She taught first grade in Lexington District 5, spending most of her career as a teacher at

Seven Oaks Elementary School. Nothing—save her family—gave Mrs. Wood more satisfaction than loving and mentoring thousands of Midlands-area students, who loved her back. She also taught Sunday school and Vacation Bible School.

Mrs. Wood relocated to Cayce from Kingsport, Tennessee, when husband Jerry took a management job at Eastman Chemical Company. The mother of Lou Wood Kennedy, Mrs. Wood settled into life in the Midlands, where she cheered each promotion Jerry earned and motivated her daughter to work hard, give back and treat everyone with grace.

Mrs. Wood met her husband when they were teenagers, and they began dating as students at East Tennessee State University. Her father-in-law married the couple, and they recently celebrated 61 years together.

Mrs. Wood drove daughter Lou to extracurricular activities Lou was involved in growing up, and made certain Lou was equipped with the tools she needed to succeed.

Surviving Mrs. Wood are her devoted husband, Jerry; loving daughter, Lou Wood Kennedy of Lexington (Bill); granddaughter, Xanna Bailey of Lexington (Travis) and great-grandson, Lincoln Bailey. Mrs. Wood is also survived by Paul Wood (Mildred), Sarah Benson, Daniel Wood (Cara), Becky Reece (Chuck), countless nieces and nephews and the Seven Oaks family, with whom she loved to spend time.

Mrs. Wood was predeceased by her parents; brother, Donald Thomas; sister, Mary Wills and brother-in-law, Lewis Wills. She was also predeceased by brothers-in-law, Lambert and David Wood and other members of the Wood family.

Visitation will be held from 5:00–6:45 PM on Wednesday, July 28 at Caughman-Harman Funeral Home in Lexington and a celebration of life will follow from 6:45–7:15 PM at the funeral home. A private family burial will be held on Thursday, July 29 at 10:00 AM.

### VOTING RIGHTS ACT

### HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, July 27, 2021*

Ms. SEWELL. Madam Speaker, I proudly represent Alabama's 7th District—the Civil Rights District—which includes the historic cities of Birmingham, Montgomery and my hometown of Selma.

I am honored to participate in the Congressional Black Caucus Special Order Hour on the heels of the anniversary of the death of the great Congressman John R. Lewis, my dear friend and mentor. I would also be remiss if I did not acknowledge the passing of Robert Parris Moses, another civil rights icon who was beaten and jailed while fighting for the precious right to vote. I am reminded daily of the sacrifices made by John, Robert, and the other countless foot soldiers.

For me, growing up in Selma, under the shadow of the Edmund Pettus Bridge, the history of the Voting Rights Movement was not something I had to learn in school.

The Foot Soldiers of the Movement were not pictures or names in a history book, they were a vital and vibrant part of the community in Selma—they were my teachers, my church members, my piano teacher, our firefighters and even my babysitter.